**Iadia's experts trade**

172. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the country's exports have shown a rising trend during the last finan cial year as compared to 1985-86 and 1986-87; and

(b) if so. what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI); (a) and (b) The details of exports during 1985-86, 1986-87 and April '87—February, 1988 are as under

| Year | Exports ; | Percentage change |
|---|---|---|
| | (Value : Rs. crores) | |
| 1 935-36 | 10894-59 | |
| 1936-87 (R) | 12566.62 | +15.3 |
| 1937-S3CP) (April- February) | 13939 04 | +24 0* |

R : Revised
P : Provisional
("A' compared to provisional figures of 65 erores durin April-February

**Bilateral trade between India and foreign countries**

173. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the volume of bilateral trade between India and Saudi Arabia, Italy, Kuwait, Arab Emirat and Latin American countries during the last two financial years; and

(b) what are the plans to increase substantially the volume of trade between India and these countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI); (a) A Statement is altached. *(See* below).

(b) Steps taken to increase volume of trade between India and these countries include bilateral talks during the meetings of loint Commissions/Committees exchange of commercial delegations participation in each other's trade fairs, commercial publicity, improvement in shipping and credit facilities, etc.

Statement

*Volume of trade between India and foreign countries*

*(Rs. in crores)*

| Contry/ Region | Year | Exports | Impoits | Total Volume of Trade |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1985.86 | 206.09 | 318.98 | 525-07 |
| | 1986.87 | 320 66 | 490.22 | 810 88 |
| *k* Kuwait | 1985-86 | 122.16 | 334.78 | 456-94 |
| | 1986-87 | 95.31 | 286.17 | 381-48 |
| 3 S uidi Arabia | 1985-86 | 213.02 | 811.14 | 1024-16 |
| | 1986-87 | 218.84 | 687.23 | 906 07 |
| 4 United Arab Emirates | 1985-86 | 288.37 | 628.45 | 916.82 |
| | 1986-87 | 286.90 | 332-77 | 619-67 |
| 5 Latin American Countiies | 1985-86 | 20.10 | 548.69 | 568.79 |
| | 1986-87 | 35.18 | 424 05 | 459-23 |